

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Jason Prone

Art Unit

3724

All Participants:

(1) Jason Prone.

(2) Larry L. Coates.

Status of Application: _____

(3) _____.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 25 March 2004

Time: _____

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:
N/A

Claims discussed:
5, 19, and 28

Prior art documents discussed:
Smithwick, Jr. et al. (5,881,620)

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

Claims 5 and 19 were discussed to correct '112 issues. Claim 28 was discussed to provide limitations to read over the patent to Smithwick, Jr. et al. Also, a correction in the drawings and the specification was discussed.

Part III.

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


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(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

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DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Larry L. Coates on 25 March 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

- In Figure 10, item "220a" has been deleted.
- On page 8 line 19 of the specification, the phrase "a scrap edge 46a and a product edge 46b, which" has been replaced with a scrap edge and a product

edge, which-

- On line 2 of claim 5, the numbers "30-60" have been replaced with --70-100--.
- On line 2 of claim 19, the phrase "the flexible finger" has been replaced --a flexible finger--.

In claim 28, paragraph (b) has been replaced with engaging an outside trim

edge portion of the sheet with an angled outer surface of a trim stripper carried

by the cutting die and disposed outside a trim blade, said angled outer surface of

the trim stripper is angled outwardly and away from the trim blade in such a

fashion that at least a portion of the angled outer stripper surface extends

outwardly past a height of the trim blade; and-

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Conclusion

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jason Prone whose telephone number is 703-605-4287. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30-5:00, Mon - (every other) Fri.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Allan N. Shoap can be reached on 703-308-1082. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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